[President.]

units happened to be recruited many of these recruits have been repatriated and some of the men repatriated have not gone back. Others have re-enrolled themselves. The reasons why they have re-enrolled, may be thus stated. At the beginning of this campaign, before the anti-malarial operations and the other operations for ensuring the medical welfare of the people concerned, many people contracted diseases and recruitment to Assam was not very popular in the State or in Cochin. But now with a great thoroughness, which the civil administration of India would do well to copy for the future, a very malarial region has been turned into a non-malarial one by very extensive operations conducted there. The terms offered are one rupee per day, for each person, plus clothing, plus rations, plus various other allowances, besides the benefits of the Compensation Acts and other advantages. As a result it is found difficult to retain agricultural labour here because of the attractions of the labour corps which are greater than the attractions in the regular army, because in the regular army the ordinary private is paid, *i. e.*, the Indian private is paid Rs. 19 to 21 per month, plus certain extras now, whereas an English private is paid Rs. 90 to 100 per month, and an American private Rs. 800 to 400 a month. In these circumstances the recruitment to the Assam Labour Corps has been more attractive. That point has been again very pointedly brought to the attention of Government of India and it is said that the very attractiveness makes the scarcity of agricultural labour here more accentuated. Therefore steps are being taken in close collaboration with the Government of India to see that no unnecessary depletion of agricultural or technical labour takes place here.

Assessees in Income Tax.

45. *MR. P. S. MOHAMED (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement by caste of the number of assessees in Income Tax (excluding Companies)?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Information as to the caste to which an assessee belongs is not available with the Department. The preparation of a caste-war list based on a reading of the names of assessees will not be possible, especially as some of these would include partnerships consisting of two or more persons belonging to different castes. Further, the number of assessees will vary from year to year.

Ettumanoor Munsiff's Court.

46. *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the file number in the Ettumanoor Munsiff's Court in 1116, 1117, 1118 and 1119?

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*):

Year.	*O. S.*	*S. C. S.*
1116	632	330
1117	685	315
1118	1075	337
1119	894	229

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